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SUBJECT: BAHAMAS TECHNICAL SURVEY TEAM

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1. TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE TECHNICAL SURVEY TEAM HAVE BEEN APPROVED. DOD IS NOW ORGANIZING THE TEAM WHICH WILL COME TO WASHINGTON IN THE NEAR FUTURE FOR ORIENTATION. IT IS ENVISIONED THAT TEAM WILL REMAIN IN COUNTRY FOR A MAXIMUM OF TEN DAYS. YOU WILL BE ADVISED IN THE NEAR FUTURE AS TO IDENTIFICATION OF TEAM MEMBERS AND PROPOSED DATES OF VISIT.

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- 2. PRIMARY MISSION OF THE TEAM IS TO DETERMINE REASONABLE SECURITY REQUIREMENTS OF THE GCOB IN THE AREAS OF COASTAL SURVEILLANCE, SEARCH AND RESCUE AND AIDS TO NAVIGATION. A RELATED BUT SECONDARY REQUIREMENT IS TO SURVEY SEA POLLUTION IN THE BAHAMAS AREA AND DETERMINE GCOB REQUIREMENTS FOR A MINIMAL COASTAL AND HARBOR POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM.
- 3. THE TEAM WILL BE HEADED BY A USN CAPTAIN AND WILL INCLUDE FIVE MILITARY OFFICERS AND ONE FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER. THE TEAM WILL PROVIDE ITS OWN CLERICAL ASSISTANCE. FOCUS OF THE TEAM'S EMPHASIS WILL BE DIRECTED TO THOSE GCOB REQUIREMENTS NECESSARY TO PREVENT OR REDUCE ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION, SMUGGLING AND NARCOTICS TRAFFIC IN COASTAL AREAS OF THE BAHAMAS; MAINTAIN A SEARCH AND RESCUE CAPABILITY WITHIN BAHAMIAN WATERS TO INCLUDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SUPPORT MISSIONS TO OUTER ISLANDS; IMPROVE AIDS TO NAVIGATION IN THE BAHAMAS AREA AND ESTABLISH A COASTAL AND HARBOR POLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM FOR THE PRINCIPAL ISLANDS. THE TEAM SHOULD:
- (A) EVALUATE CURRENT GCOB CAPABILITIES AND IDENTIFY ANY CAPABILITIES THAT WERE LOST AS A RESULT OF THE BAHAMAS INDEPENDENCE FROM THE UK. COMPARE THESE WITH REQUIREMENTS DETERMINED BY THE SURVEY.
- (B) IDENTIFY SPECIFIC ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT REQUIRED BY THE GCOB IN ADDITION TO THE EXISTING INVENTORY AND THE REASONS THEREFORE. THIS SHOULD INCLUDE SCRUTINY OF THE GCOB EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS LIST ALREADY SUBMITTED TO THE USG AS WELL AS COMPARISON WITH THE LIST OF MATERIEL WHICH HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT HAS INDICATED MAY BE PROVIDED TO THE GCOB
- (C) IDENTIFY GCOB MAINTENANCE, LOGISTICS, TRAINING, AND PERSONNEL CAPABILITIES AND REQUIREMENTS TO OPERATE AND SUPPORT ALL RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT.
- (D) ESTIMATE INITIAL COST AND RECURRING SUPPORT COSTS TO THE GCOB FOR ALL RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT.

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- (E) CONSIDER POSSIBLE ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE EXISTING GCOB POLICE MARINE DIVISION STRUCTURE.
- (F) SOLICIT, EVALUATE, AND INCLUDE VIEWS OF APPROPRIATE GCOB OFFICIALS AS DESIGNATED BY THE CHIEF OF MISSION.
- (G) NOT FORMALLY, INFORMALLY, OR BY INFERENCE COMMIT OR

IMPLY A COMMITTMENT BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT TO THE GCOB TO PROVIDE ANY TYPE OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE.

- (H) NOT FORMALLY OR INFORMALLY BRIEF OR OTHERWISE ADVISE ANY GCOB OFFICIAL OF ANY CONCLUSION OR RECOMMENDATION WHICH MAY BE MADE AS A RESULT OF THE SURVEY.
- 4. UPON ARRIVAL IN COUNTRY, THE TEAM CHIEF WILL REPORT TO THE CHIEF OF MISSION AND WILL REMAIN UNDER HIS GENERAL AUTHORITY WHILE IN THE BAHAMAS. PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FROM THE BAHAMAS THE TEAM WILL BRIEF THE CHIEF OF MISSION, TOGETHER WITH U.S. EMBASSY STAFF MEMBERS AS THE CHIEF OF MISSION MAY DESIGNATE, ON ITS TENTATIVE FINDINGS.
- 5. AFTER LEAVING THE BAHAMAS TWO FINAL REPORTS WILL BE

PREPARED DESCRIBING THE TEAM'S FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDING IN DETAIL ANY ADJUSTMENTS IN PERSONNEL, FACILITIES, TECHNIQUES, EQUIPMENT, COMMUNICATIONS, LOGISTICS, MAINTENANCE AND TRAINING THAT ARE REQUIRED FOR THE GCOB TO CARRY OUT WITH REASONABLE EFFECTIVENESS AND EFFICIENCY THOSE FUNCTIONS LISTED IN (A) ABOVE. ONE REPORT WILL BE IN COMPLETE CANDID DETAIL FOR USE BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. THE SECOND WILL BE AN ABRIDGED VERSION FOR EVENTUAL RELEASE TO THE GCOB. APPROPRIATE SECURITY CLASSIFICATIONS WILL BE APPLIED. BOTH REPORTS WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE THROUGH THE CHAIRMAN, JCS, WITHIN IO WORKING DAYS FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF THE SURVEY. TEAM MEMBERS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON, IF NECESSARY, TO DISCUSS THE COMPLETED REPORT. ROGERS

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